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RAILROAD DEALS.

An Interesting Bit of Gossip to the Effect That the

UNIONTOWN & WHEELING ROAD

Is to be Backed by the Wabash, and That the Latter Will Acquire the Wheeling & Lake Erie, Thus Giving the Great Western System an Entrance Into the Western Pennsylvania Coke Fields.

Railroad men have within the last few days been collecting the broken ends of certain threads, and are now weaving a pretty fabric out of it. A few days ago it was announced that a new line of railroad was to be constructed between Uniontown and Wheeling, as a short cut outlet for the coke region. The following day came the announcement that rumors were afloat that the Wabash railroad had designs on the Wheeling & Lake Erie. The Uniontown line has been connected since its inception, with the name of the Wheeling, and the belief has been that it is to be built for the convenience of the road named. Now the railroad men have joined these two stories together, and have cemented them with some things which recently occurred in Chicago, and the story is going, as a result, that the Wabash railroad is backing the Uniontown and Wheeling railroad, and intends by means of the Wheeling to get an entrance into the coke fields of western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The rumor is rather picturesque, but it is given the greatest credence by many well posted railroad men, says yesterday's Cleveland Leader. The story is even made to be of greater extent. It is now said that the Wabash intends to build a line from Toledo to Montpelier, Mich., to connect this territory with the Chicago line, giving through connections from the West Virginia fields to that territory.

These reports come violently in conflict with some facts in the case. It is known that the Wheeling Bridge and Terminal Company's property is owned jointly by the Wheeling and the Baltimore & Ohio. Other events of late have shown these roads to be close together, making it more likely that in case the Wheeling makes an alliance it will be with the Baltimore & Ohio. When this phase of the question is brought out the railroad men are inclined to complicate the matters still further, and predict that the end of the matter will be a combination of the Wheeling and the Baltimore & Ohio, and the two absorbing the Uniontown line. Then a close alliance will be formed between the Wabash and the Baltimore & Ohio, by which the former secures its desired entrance into the eastern field. To many this sort of a combination seems incongruous, and they are inclined to the belief that if the Baltimore & Ohio gets the Wheeling, the Wabash will stay out of the territory, and also if it is at all possible the Wabash will secure the Wheeling, and will thus enter vigorously into the eastern business.

The recent attitude of the Wabash has been such that railroad men have come to expect uncommon things from it. Its latest move was in securing an entrance into Kansas City, whereby it struck a blow into the heart of the territory of strong western lines, and at once opened up a fierce fight for business. It stands alone in this territory as having interests on both sides of the Mississippi, for which it is caring, and with such an advantage it is a thorn in the flesh of many of the roads in both territories.

If the Wabash succeeds in making an alliance with the Wheeling it will be alone also in having a line on both the north and south shore of the lake, its present line extending through Detroit to Buffalo. The relations existing between the Wheeling and Wabash have always been the most friendly, and it is to the Wheeling that the Wabash has always turned for its feeder in this territory. The outlook is sufficiently serious to cause some of the officials of the other roads much concern, and the developments are being watched with interest, especially since it is said that the plans will be matured before the end of the summer.

THE RAILROADS.

The following interesting Baltimore & Ohio gossip is from this week's issue of the St. Clairsville Chronicle:

Along with the surveys made by the Baltimore & Ohio, up Caplina, via Somerton, and also through Bethesda, in their search for a route through this county to avoid the steep grades in both directions, via Barnesville, the routes surveyed through St. Clairsville, several years since, are being considered. A short time since Mr. John T. Trol, of this place, under whose direction the survey was made, was summoned to Baltimore and interrogated as to this route. His survey was carefully examined and everything in connection with it was turned over to the Baltimore & Ohio officers. It was then stated that the most practicable route was being sought and after full information on this subject was secured a decision would be made and a line built. What recent surveys have shown no one knows, except the Baltimore & Ohio officials, and they are not in the habit of giving away much information.

While options on coal and right of way for a railroad are now being sought along this route, it is not known that such a move has any connection with the Baltimore & Ohio company. It may be the Baltimore & Ohio, and again it may be a speculative movement. No information is being scattered abroad, bearing on that point.

As to the survey through from St. Clairsville to Valley Junction, the maximum grade was fifty-two feet to the mile, and that was the crossing of the National road at the west end of St. Clairsville. The engineers stated, too, that much of this could be reduced to forty feet by cutting the tunnel deeper. At only three points on the line did the survey approach to this grade and then only for a distance not exceeding three miles. There would be three tunnels on the line, one at St. Clairsville, one about two miles northwest of St. Clairsville, and one at Cadiz. From the tunnel at Cadiz to Valley Junction the line

would be almost on a dead level. Two or three routes were surveyed, varying somewhat, but we are speaking of the most favored route.

It might be well for the people along the line from St. Clairsville to Cadiz to keep an eye on the project and to stand ready to offer any assistance in determining the location of the road.

There are several reasons why this should be the most favored route. The other routes contemplate another bridge over the Ohio at Powhatan at a cost of a million dollars. With this route that would be unnecessary. Then there are coal fields along the entire route, besides it would furnish a shorter route to Cleveland than any now in existence.

HON. SAMUEL HILLES DEAD.

The Postmaster of Barnesville Died in His Office Thursday Afternoon—His Was a Long and Honorable Record.

A long-distance telephone message to the Intelligencer from Barnesville received last night, brought the news of the death of one of the town's best known and most highly respected citizens, Hon. Samuel Hilles. Mr. Hilles, who was postmaster, dropped dead about 3 o'clock in the afternoon in his office. Heart disease was the cause of the death.

Mr. Hilles was sixty-four year old, and was a native of Belmont county. He was once a citizen of Martin's Ferry, but moved to Barnesville many years ago. He was sheriff of Belmont county from 1878 to 1882; a member of the seventy-first general assembly of the state of Ohio, and postmaster of Barnesville at the time of his death. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and a Mason. He is survived by his wife and two sons and two daughters. One of the sons is superintendent of the State Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster. The funeral will occur Sunday afternoon from the family home.

THE NATIONAL TELEPHONE CO.

Replies to the Suggestions Made by an Official of an Opposing Co.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—I notice in the Intelligencer of this morning an interview with a leading official of one of the three companies now before council as applicants for telephone franchises; the interview was not with any official of the National Telephone Company, so it must have been with an official of the Home or the Citizens' company, which makes it clear to any careful observer, that it is inspired by the Bell Telephone Company. If a franchise to compete with the Bell Telephone Company is to be put up at auction and sold to the highest bidder, then the Bell Telephone Company can well afford to buy it and only use it for the purpose of keeping out competition, a reduction of ten dollars a year in telephone rates would cost the Bell Telephone Company not less than fifteen thousand dollars a year. And the man who proposes that applicants for the right to compete with the Bell Telephone Company must bid against that company for a franchise, certainly has no intention of going into competition against the Bell, and must be a friend of that company. The Bell Telephone Company has a free franchise, a free, perpetual franchise, and yet we have in the interview of this morning a proposition from one who presides to want to go into competition with the Bell Telephone Company, that those who are asking for the right to compete with that company be required to pay "a spot cash consideration, a percentage of receipts or an annual rental for the use of the streets." The man who made that proposition must be a friend of the Bell Telephone Company. The National Telephone Company has all the money that is necessary to put in a first class telephone system and go into competition against the Bell Telephone Company, but it has not a dollar to give for a franchise. No company that means, in good faith, to compete with the Bell will propose to go in handicapped, by being required to pay a cash bonus or percentage of receipts while such a powerful competitor should have free use of the streets.

If the interview in this morning's Intelligencer actually came from an official of the Home or the Citizens' company, the trick is thrown off, and the company for which that official speaks, is disclosed as being a representative of the Bell Telephone Company.

THE NATIONAL TELEPHONE CO.

Wheeling, March 29, 1900.

Sunday School Meeting.

The people of Ravenswood are making every preparation for a successful convention of the West Virginia Sunday School Association, April 17, 18 and 19. The committees are hard at work. Hon. C. L. Brown will deliver the address of welcome.

The executive committee is to be congratulated upon securing Marlon Lawrence, of Toledo. He comes not only as general secretary of the international work, but as a man who is thoroughly posted upon the most advanced methods, and in touch with the greatest workers in the Sunday school world. More than this, he brings not theories, but the results of over twenty years' experience as a most successful superintendent.

Joseph Clark, secretary of the Ohio association, expects to be present one day. An instructor for primary work is planned for. The programme provides for many practical things that teachers can use at home. In this way the international work actually touches and helps every school represented.

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DALLY—At Crafton, Pa., on Thursday, March 29, 1900, at 2:30 a. m., MRS. A. H. DALLY, 81, in her 74th year. Funeral from family residence, Crafton, Saturday, March 31, 1900, at 10:30 a. m. Interment at South Side cemetery, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Attaches to the Gospel Trumpet Sect That Has Established Itself at Moundsville—An Interesting Statement of Their Work.

Since the Gospel Trumpet colony of Christian workers moved from a Michigan town to Moundsville nearly two years ago, there has been some misconception on the part of the public as to their belief, one story that reached considerable circulation being that they were Mormons. The Intelligencer has secured the following statement of the Gospel Trumpet colony's work and belief, which will doubtless be read with interest by all who have heard of their novel and really effective work being carried on through their publishing house:

"The Gospel Trumpet Publishing Company moved to Moundsville June 23, 1898, by special train of nine freight cars, two passenger cars and a baggage car. They came from Grand Junction, Michigan, a small town of about 250 inhabitants, where they had been located for a number of years. There being no bank nor other business houses of any size in that place, the company had outgrown the village. Having had favorable opportunities and inducements offered in Moundsville, their plant was located at that place.

"Many people have a misunderstanding concerning the Gospel Trumpet Publishing Company and their religious belief. Some have gotten the idea that they were a community of people of curious belief who had settled down and isolated themselves from other people, having nothing to do with any one who did not fall in line with their peculiar belief, and when people become of the same faith they came into this community. But such is not the case. The church which they represent and the Gospel Trumpet Publishing Company are separate and distinct. As a church they take the name Church of God; they claim that Jesus Christ is the founder of this church; that he is the door into it; that in order to get into this church one must be born into it by a spiritual birth; they also teach that Jesus Christ is the head of the church; they do not believe in humanly organized churches, but claim that God sets the members, every one of them, in the body as it hath pleased Him; they have no discipline except the Bible; for proof that there is nothing further necessary they use the Scripture in 2 Tim. 3:16, which says, 'All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.' They teach the unity of all Christians, and claim to contend earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints, according to the apostle Jude. While they oppose the divisions and worldliness of the various religious denominations, yet they acknowledge Christians wherever they find them, or, in other words, do not consider them not being Christians simply because they belong to some denomination, just so they are living the life of a true Christian. As a church they are called the Church of God; as individuals they are sometimes known as saints, as they say every true Christian is a saint, and those who are not are sinners, as they say that the Bible teaches only two classes. They do not take members into their church, but consider that when a person is converted he is already in the church without any further ceremony, and when people join any other denomination they join just that much more than what the Bible teaches. They have no fellowship nor affiliation with the sect of the Latter-Day Saints, or Mormons.

"Holiness is one of their principal doctrines taught; also divine healing. They report many cases of healing of all kinds of diseases in communities all over the world wherever there are believers. These people are becoming widely scattered throughout the entire world.

"The chief paper of the Gospel Trumpet Publishing Company is the Gospel Trumpet, published at Moundsville. This is an eight-page weekly, and is sent to all parts of the world. The concern is a stock company, so arranged as to carry on a charitable work, no dividends to be given during the entire life of the company, which is chartered for fifty years. The company is carrying on a very large business. Between fifty and one hundred persons are engaged in the publishing house, nearly all of which donate their services free, without salary. None of the managers receives a salary for his work. The living expenses are paid by the company, and all above the expenses and needed

improvements and enlargement of the work is given toward spreading the Gospel by way of free literature. A special fund for free literature was established in October, 1899, since which time over one thousand dollars per month of books, tracts, papers, Bibles, etc., have been sent out free. Recently they placed a thousand dollars' worth of books in the library of the state prison, at Moundsville. One thousand dollars worth was also sent to India as a donation, and also to other parts of the world."

AMUSEMENTS.

One of the most delicious comedies ever produced in Wheeling was the attraction at the Opera House last night before a small audience. The engagement continues to-night, and the house should be packed, for "The Dairy Farm" is a gem of a play, produced by a company of uniform excellence, and set off with fine and appropriate stage settings. Some of the characterizations are masterpieces. Nothing better than Mr. Arthur C. Saunders' "Simon Krum" has been seen in Wheeling in many a day. The authoress of the play, Miss Eleanor Merron, has a role in which she distinguishes herself. Mr. James H. Wallick's "Squire Hurley" is an excellent piece of acting. Miss Jean Clara Walters, Mr. Edwin Meyer, Miss Grace Hopkins—in fact all of the unusually capable company do themselves proud. The play is remarkable for the opportunities given all the members of the company; most assuredly it is not a one-man or a one-woman piece.

"Lady Flora."

In "Lady Flora," Miss Gertrude Coghlan, plays the title role, a young lady of seventeen years. Mr. Coghlan, in writing this play gives a charming character, and one seldom seen on the stage. "Lady Flora" is a girl raised in England, not far from London, although she has perhaps never seen the city; her companions are few, save her own immediate people. Her father dies when she is only a child, but before his death he and a friendly neighbor, who, by the way, is a father of a son, arrange between them, that their children must marry, thus keeping the fortune and lands intact. The girl grows up with that understanding, resigned to her fate, but her betrothed, a young lord, brings from London his tutor, a sympathetic fellow with artistic temperament. George, feeling assured that he was the rightful owner of this young neglected creature, left her in the tutor's company too much, while he would ride after the hounds. The tutor soon wins her love, and to his surprise was contracting a like complaint. He resolved to flee, but true love will assert itself, and after intrigue, jealousy and sacrifice the two hearts are united. This is a beautiful story of purity and love. "Lady Flora" will be seen at the Opera House Saturday, with a matinee.

All Scenic Productions.

Quite out of the ordinary for popular priced productions, are the plays which will be given by the Huntley-Jackson Stock Company at the Grand Opera House all next week, opening Monday night with "The Tornado." The claim is made for "The Tornado," that its realism are of such an imposing nature that even the pictorial matter used in advertising the play do not do the piece justice, that the scenes depicted by the posters are actually so much more impressive when seen, that one must acknowledge that for once printer's ink has not overdone things.

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